

COVID-19 CARES Grants - Create in Utah

Amended July 17, 2020



Please note: The grant description has been amended on July 17, 2020 to extend the application deadline to August 7, 2020 (from the previous deadline of July 27, 2020). This will allow organizations to apply in the extended timeline as outlined in statute. Document amendments are bolded below.

The Division of Arts & Museums within the Department of Heritage and Arts will administer a \$9 million grant program to cultural, zoological, and botanical organizations that have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Grants of up to \$1,000,000 will be provided to nonprofit and for-profit organizations in Utah who will commit to a public event or activity to take place prior to June 30, 2021, with a cultural, zoological, or botanical component. Any cultural, zoological, or botanical organization with a budget of more than \$5 million within Utah can apply. Amount of grant can be up to twice the budget of the proposed event/activity.

Applications will be accepted beginning July 13, 2020. The application period will close on **August 7, 2020**, and applications will be subsequently reviewed by a committee made up of Arts & Museums staff and Board members, as well as key leaders in the cultural community. Expenditures must be made by December 31, 2020.

Criteria includes but is not limited to:

- Mission/purpose of organization - how they are qualified in this work
- Previous three years' annual organizational budget (must be \$5 million or more)
- Current organizational budget
- Demonstrated impact of COVID-19 to organization's finances
- Detail of proposed event/activity and audience
- Budget and timeline for this event/activity

Review Panelists:

Division of Arts & Museums staff, board members, and key leaders in the cultural community

Tentative Timeline:

Application opens July 13, 2020

Application closes **August 7, 2020**

Awards announced August 12, 2020

Distribution begins upon receipt of contract